

To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 472 without my signature.

This bill authorizes the California Emergency Management Agency to require any state agency that publishes an Internet website to prominently display a text or graphical link to an earthquake preparedness website. This measure is unnecessary. Earthquake preparedness information is readily available on the websites of the California Emergency Management Agency, the Federal Emergency Management Agency, and the United States Geological Survey and is easily discovered by anyone searching it out. However, to ensure optimal availability of disaster preparedness information, I am instructing other agencies that respond to disasters to post links to the California Emergency Management Agency website.

For these reasons, I am unable to sign this bill.

Sincerely,

Arnold Schwarzenegger